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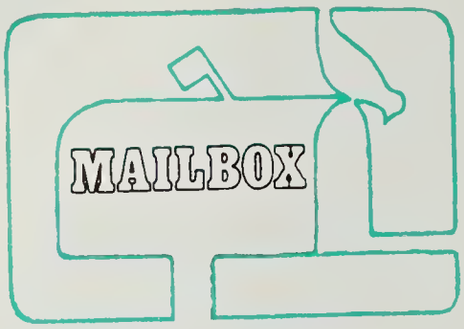

Where Are You Now, Johnny E. Bragg?

I wonder if some of your readers might help me with a request.

My dad has chronic emphysema and for more than 30 years has wanted to get in touch with an old army friend by the name of Johnny E. Bragg, who was originally from somewhere in North Carolina. He would be around 57-59 years old. He and my dad, O. J. Doolin from Fountain Run, Ky., were in the Coca-Sola hospital around 1949. Any help will be greatly appreciated.

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Thelma Hardee
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"Power Out? SO WHAT!"

I can hear the moans and groans once again throughout the mountains. The lights flicker and the telephones tingle as the power goes off once again.

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Or, you can just change your menu. Pork chops, hamburger or steak—all cook great on the old stove. A pot of potatoes, cabbage or carrots sounds fine as a side dish. Cornbread may be something else if you're used to cooking it in the oven, so let's make a change and cook it the mountain way—in the old steel skillet. Like I say, "POWER OUT, SO WHAT!"

R. G. Runken
Scaly Mountain

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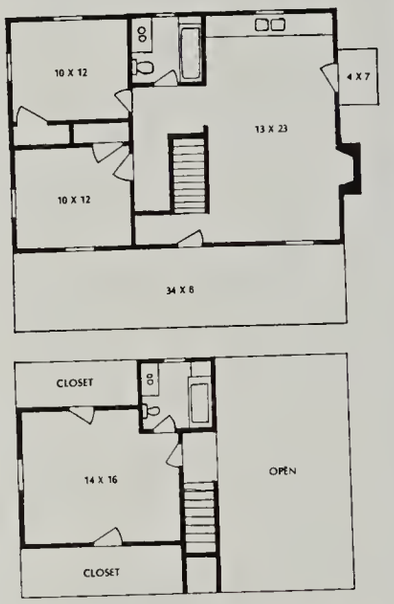

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New Water Heater Standards Needed

North Carolina's building code requires that energy-efficient water heaters be installed in all new homes and buildings, but so far no similar standards have been established governing replacement water heaters.

Requiring more heavily insulated water heaters in replacement units would add $25 to $40 to their price tags, but that investment would be recovered within 12 to 18 months through reduced energy costs, according to a study prepared by the Public Staff of the N.C. Utilities Commission.

Richard N. Smith, an engineer with the state agency, says the more energy-efficient heaters could save Tar Heel consumers more than $750 million over the average 13-year life of a water heater. Consumers with electrical heaters could save $717.4 million, while those using gas heaters could save $45.7 million, his study shows.

The proposal has been presented to the state Building Code Council for review, but the attorney general's office has ruled that the council has no authority to regulate replacement water heaters.

Chances are, then, that the idea can't be put into practice without action by the N.C. General Assembly.

Should that body consider the proposal, it's likely to hear opposition from the owners of rental property who're reluctant to spend the extra money for the more energy-efficient heaters. But, even if they'd have to pass the extra cost along in the form of higher rental fees, their tenants could probably still come out ahead because of the energy savings they'd enjoy.

We hope the General Assembly will recognize the long-term rewards that can be realized through this change in water heater standards—and will act accordingly.

State's Tax Laws: Unfair To Widows

North Carolina tax laws are unfair to widows and should be rewritten at the earliest possible time. . . .

North Carolina law says now that real property jointly owned by married couples is assessed for inheritance taxes at only half its value. But, a bank account into which both man and wife deposited earnings is personal proerty and is taxed on the basis of who supplied the money to it.

If a widow can supply documented proof—paycheck stubs, bank receipts, etc.—that she helped build the holdings, then she is in luck. If she can't, however, then she is taxed on the entire amount of the account.

This is a presumption the state should never make. There are many wives who contribute as much or more to a savings account as their husbands. Through negligence, oversight or whatever, many of these same wives cannot supply the required proof that they have made those contributions.

What has happened in so many instances is that a grieving widow has found this out too late and has suffered greatly as a result.

There is a grave inequity here that only the N.C. General Assembly can correct. The N.C. Center for Laws Affecting Women is drafting a state "model property act" that would replace the presumption that wives have not contributed to joint accounts with the presumption that they have.

This is a change that not only would be welcome but is rooted in the surest kind of justice.

—*The Gastonia Gazette*

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Museum Exhibit Focuses On State's "Public Works"

What do airports, sewer pipes, city streets, parks, universities and rural electric power lines all have in common?

They're all part of the public works that support the day-to-day operation of our modern communities.

A new exhibit at the North Carolina Museum of History, open now through October, examines the history of public works, their diversity and development, and their impact on North Carolina's citizens.

It is titled, "Public Works—Building A Better Life."

The exhibit was developed in cooperation with the American Public Works Association and its North Carolina chapter.

Designed to coincide with the 25th annual observance of National Public Works Week in May, the exhibit underscores the fact that pubic works "shape the way we live."

The exhibit is the first of its kind in any state museum.

The ten-section exhibit includes panels and artifacts that depict North Carolina's first public waterworks, built in Salem in 1778; rural electrification; the development of modern water treatment facilities; the steps that led to North Carolina's title "the good roads state;" and national parks, universities, libraries and schools.

In a section entitled "Who Wants the Garbage?" the history of solid-waste disposal is covered, as well as the challenges facing our population in disposing of huge, ever-growing amounts of garbage.

Admission is free.

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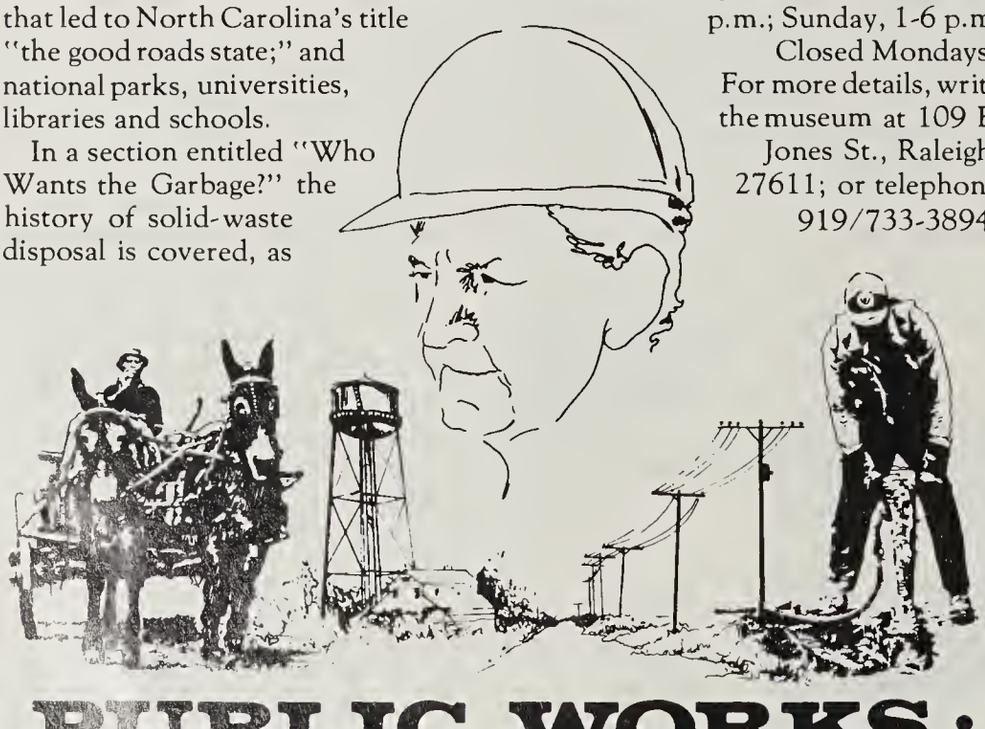
The N.C. Museum of History, an agency of the Department of Cultural Resources, is located at 109 E. Jones St., Raleigh. The museum is open Tuesday through Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sunday, 1-6 p.m. Closed Mondays. For more details, write the museum at 109 E. Jones St., Raleigh, 27611; or telephone 919/733-3894.



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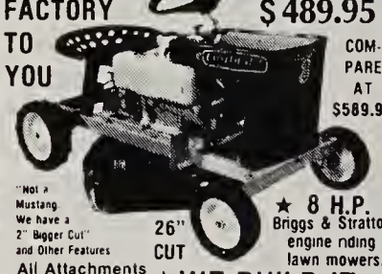

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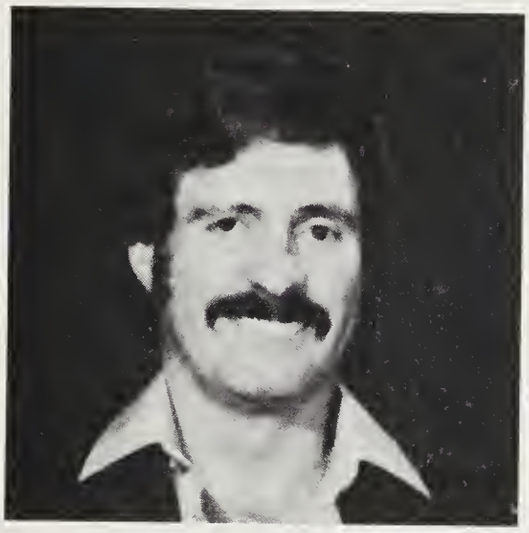

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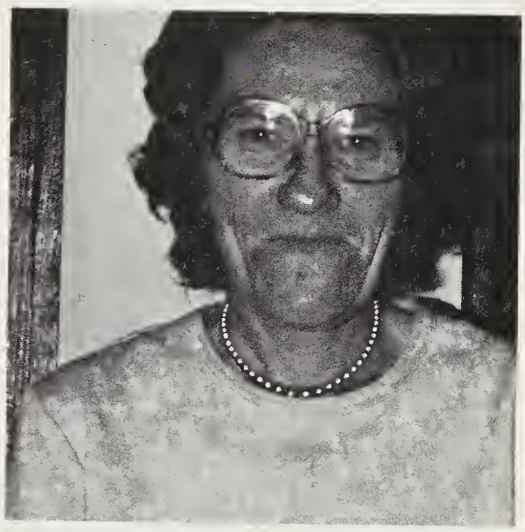

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Crafts Fair Set In Morehead City

"Expo '84," a crafts fair featuring about 70 craftsmen from Eastern North Carolina, is scheduled for July 7-8 at the Crystal Coast Civic Center in Morehead City.

The show will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on July 7 and from 1 to 5 p.m. on July 8.

For more information, call or write Mae H. Spicer, Home Economics Extension Agent, P.O. Box 458, Kenansville, N.C. 28349. Phone: (919) 296-1996.

Five Tar Heel Women Honored

Gov. James B. Hunt Jr. has presented the 1984 Distinguished Women of North Carolina Awards to five women from across the state.

Receiving the award were Martha Clampitt McKay of Raleigh and Chapel Hill, Ellen Black Winston of Raleigh, U.S. Transportation Secretary Elizabeth Dole, Ruth Braswell Jones of Rocky Mount and Deborah Crouch McKeithan of Charlotte.

A total of 88 women were nominated for the award.

Mrs. McKay, assistant secretary for productivity in the state Department of Administration and adjunct professor in the Fuquay School of Business at Duke, was instrumental in the creation of the Council on Status of Women 20 years ago.

Ms. Winston was commissioner of public welfare under the administrations of Presidents John F. Kennedy and Lyndon B. Johnson. She also was North Carolina's fourth commissioner of public welfare, making her at the time the highest-ranking female state executive.

Mrs. Dole also has served as assistant to the president for public liaison, deputy director of the Office of Consumer Affairs and executive director of the president's Committee on Consumer Interests.

Ms. Jones, a public school teacher for 47 years, was president of the North Carolina Teachers Association and the Southern Region of the National Association of Classroom Teachers.

Ms. Keithan, a victim of multiple sclerosis at 19, is the founder and organizer of Charlotte Handicapped Organized Women Inc., the only support group for handicapped women in existence at the time it was founded.

Entries Due For N.C. Turkey Cooking Contest

A July 15th deadline has been set for entries to be submitted for the 1984 North Carolina Turkey Cooking Contest, which is sponsored by the N.C. Turkey Federation, N.C. State University and the N.C. Department of Agriculture.

Rules for the contest require that only North Carolina residents may enter. Entries must be postmarked no later than July 15.

The recipes, which must use turkey parts, should serve four to eight people and take no more than three hours to prepare and cook.

At the contest on Sept. 19 in Raleigh, the recipes will be judged equally on flavor, simplicity, appeal and appearance. Prizes will include $500 for first place, $250 for second and $100 for third, fourth and fifth places.

To enter, write your recipe, with your name, address and phone number on the front. For multiple entries, each recipe must be on a separate piece of paper, but all can be mailed in one envelope.

Mail to: Turkey Contest, N.C. Turkey Federation, P.O. Box 2431, Raleigh, N.C. 27602.

Agency Offers Book On Saving Energy

A book incorporating many of the tips presented in the public television series *Saving Energy* is now available from the North Carolina Department of Commerce.

For a copy of the $2.50 book, also titled *Saving Energy*, write to *Saving Energy*, Box 25249, Raleigh, N.C. 27611. Make checks payable to the N.C. Department of Commerce, Energy Division.

Co-op Officials Observe Brunswick EMC Operations

A delegation of 40 state and national rural electric cooperative leaders from the Carolinas, Virginia, Maryland and Delaware recently visited Brunswick Electric Membership Corporation, Shallotte, to observe its operations.

The group included Bob Bergland, executive vice president and general manager of the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) and Guy C. Lewis Jr., manager of a Virginia cooperative and president of NRECA.

During the three-day visit, Bergland took issue with the current administration in Washington during a dinner held in honor of the guests.

The administration, he said, is asking Congress to raise the interest rates on the Rural Electrification Administration revolving fund loans above those for Treasury borrowing, limit loans to $500 million a year and exclude those co-ops serving more than 10 consumers per mile of line.

The plan would substantially increase power costs for each consumer on a system receiving a revolving fund loan, Bergland said.

"But beyond those economic consequences, the proposed changes would profoundly restructure the program as it exists today."

He added: "It seems absurd to ask or expect rural electric systems to

vie for half the money they need at twice the cost. It is illogical, unnecessary and totally insensitive to the realities and needs of rural America."

Seven Elected To EMC Boards

Six incumbents and one newcomer were elected to the boards of two North Carolina Electric Membership Corporations during recent annual meetings:

- **French Broad EMC**, Marshall — Re-elected were Joseph G. Justice of Hot Springs, Albert Freeman of Marshall, I.E. Clevenger of Burnsville and Parnell Cooke of Rt. 1, Bakersville.
- **Harkers Island EMC** — Elected for the first time was Anthony Nelson of Harkers Island. Re-elected were Lloyd Michels and George L. Nelson, both of Harkers Island.

Historic Halifax Slates Fourth of July Festivities

Living history demonstrations, music, wagon train rides, tours of historic buildings, a barbeque and a street dance will be featured as part of this year's Fourth of July festivities at Historic Halifax.

In addition, the outdoor drama, *First For Freedom*, will be performed at 7 p.m. in the ampitheater. A fireworks display is scheduled for 9 p.m., with the street dance to follow from 9:30 to 12 midnight.

For more information, write or call Janna Draper at P.O. Box 246, Roanoke Rapids, N.C. 27870. Phone: (919) 537-9146.

New Directors Named At South River EMC

Two new directors have been appointed to the board of South River Electric Membership Corporation, Dunn.

Eloise M. Talley of Rt. 1, Fayetteville, was named to fill the unexpired term of E. E. Fisher of Rt. 1, Stedman, who died last August.

Carlton Martin of Rt. 1, Godwin was appointed to the seat left vacant by the resignation of Bynum Jackson of Rt. 1, Box 187, a veteran of 30 years on the co-op's board.

Beaufort Sets Homes Tour For June 29-30

The 1984 Old Homes Tour at Beaufort, scheduled for June 29-30, will feature homes and churches, a restoration complex and an antique show.

Other events will include a guided tour of old burying grounds and other attractions on a double-deck English bus.

For more information about the tours, write to the Beaufort Historical Association, P.O. Box 1709, Beaufort, N.C. 28516 or call (919) 728-5228 or 728-2704.

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Cover Photo: *Elizabeth II*

The 16th-century style ship, *Elizabeth II*, is the centerpiece of America's 400th Anniversary celebration, marking the Roanoke Voyages of 1584-1587 that brought the first English settlers to the new world.

The ship, which is considered one of the most authentic of its kind ever built, is moored in the waters off Manteo.

It'll be officially commissioned and opened to the public by Governor James B. Hunt Jr. on July 13. Her Royal Highness the Princess Anne of Great Britain will participate in the commissioning ceremonies.

The photo is by Clay Nolen of the N.C. Division of Travel and Tourism.

For more details on the ship, see pages 10-11.

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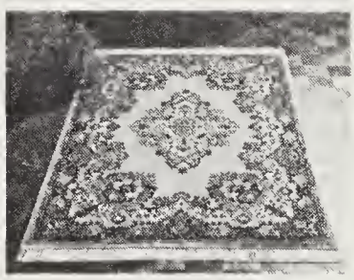

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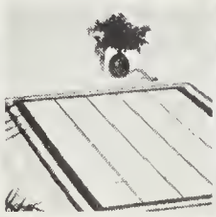

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Foscoe is located between Boone and Linville on Highway 105.

Show hours will be 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. each day.

For more information, call (704) 297-2192.

Jugtown Pottery In Museum Exhibit

A selection of Jugtown pottery from the collection of the North Carolina Museum of Art is featured at the museum's North Carolina Gallery now through Aug. 19.

The exhibition includes 40 pieces from the Jacques Busbee Memorial Collection, representing forms and glazes derived from oriental prototypes as well as traditional North Carolina shapes.

The collection was assembled beginning in 1950 with donations in honor of the founder of Jugtown Pottery. Jacques and Juliana Royster Busbee of Raleigh had established the Moore County pottery in the early 1920s to revive what they considered to be an important but dying folk craft.

Potters in the eastern piedmont area of North Carolina had been producing utilitarian wares since the mid-eighteenth century. However, in searching the area for contemporary pottery activity, the Busbees found the craft largely abandoned.

At Jugtown, Jacques Busbee worked with younger potters of the area to refine the shapes and glazes of traditional utilitarian forms. Their production was sold locally and in the tearoom the Busbees opened in New York City to create a market for North Carolina crafts. Primarily due to the success of the Busbees' Jugtown experiment, the Moore County area is once again a center of pottery production, with many of the potteries operated by descendants of original local craftsmen.

The exhibition will be accompanied by a free gallery guide.

Museum hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 1 to 5 p.m. on Sunday. There is no admission charge. For information, call (919) 833-1935.

Marshall Re-appointed To Energy Agency Board

The manager of South River Electric Membership Corporation, Dunn, has been appointed to a fourth term on the Board of Directors of the North Carolina Alternative Energy Corporation.

Marvin O. Marshall was reappointed to the state agency's board by North Carolina Electric Membership Corporation, the power supply operation of the statewide EMC organization.

The Alternative Energy agency was established in April, 1980, by the State Utilities Commission as a quasi-public corporation to develop alternative energy sources, including solar, wind, wood, biomass and conservation.

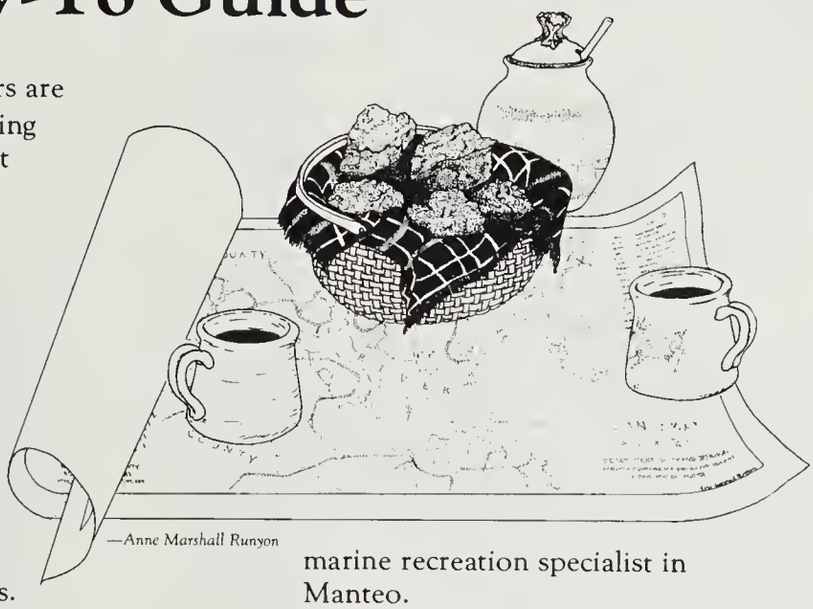
It is financed entirely by the state's power suppliers with policies set by a 13-member board made up of seven directors representing the public and six representing the suppliers.

Marshall, who is president of the N.C. EMC Board of Directors, has been with South River EMC since 1968.

Home Folks

Dr. James A. Bryan III, a teacher and clinician at the UNC-CH School of Medicine, and **Dr. Vivian T. Stannett**, an internationally recognized polymer chemist at N.C. State University, have been presented with the 1984 O. Max Gardner Awards by the University of North Carolina Board of Governors. Both were cited for "their contributions to the welfare of the human race" . . . . . **Donald L. Stormer**, 4-H leader in North Carolina for the past eight years, has been named national 4-H leader . . . . . **William C. Friday** and **Ida Howell Friday**, who've been involved in the leadership of the University of North Carolina system for more than 25 years, have been presented with the 1984 North Carolina Society Award. The award cited them for distinguished contributions to the production, preservation and promotion of North Carolina's literature, history and culture. . . . . **Phillip Dail**, a chemistry and physics teacher at Garner High School, has been named North Carolina's Teacher of the Year . . . . . **William A. Dees Jr.**of Goldsboro, a member of the University of North Carolina Board of Governors and a leading force in the state's higher education for more than 20 years, has been presented with the nation's highest honor in trusteeship. He received the Distinguished Service Award of the Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges . . . . . **Norfleet L. Sugg** of Pinetops, executive secretary of the North Carolina Peanut Growers Association, has been presented with the Distinguished Alumnus Award from the School of Agriculture and Life Sciences at N.C. State University . . . . . **Franklin Teague** of Elon College has been appointed to the new National Dairy Promotion Board by Agriculture Secretary John Block. The board will administer the Dairy Promotion and Research Program authorized by Congress last year.

Bed And Breakfast Lodgings: A How-To Guide



—Anne Marshall Runyon

Many travelers are now choosing bed and breakfast lodging as a low-cost, homey alternative to conventional accommodations. And as a result, more Americans are sprucing up spare rooms to enter the bed and breakfast business.

Bed and breakfast owners can earn extra income with limited or no expense. But there are other things to consider before you make your home your business, according to Rich Novak, UNC Sea Grant's marine recreation specialist in Manteo.

Novak spells out those concerns in a booklet, *Opening a Bed and Breakfast*, which discusses many aspects of the bed and breakfast business—accommodations, investment, regulations, rates, reservation/ screening systems and scheduling.

Novak says the first thing a prospective bed and breakfast owner should consider is his or her own personality.

"You need to be able to greet and make people feel comfortable in your home," he said. "Hospitality and personal contact are the hallmarks of bed and breakfast homes."

Prospective owners also should consider the location of their home. Bed and breakfast homes can fill the gap in the market for overnight lodging in low-traffic areas, in areas where tourism is highly seasonal or in areas hosting special events, Novak pointed out.

For more information about the bed and breakfast business, call Novak at 919/473-3937. For a copy of his booklet, write UNC Sea Grant, Box 8605, N.C. State University, Raleigh, N.C. 27695-8605. Ask for publication number UNC-SG-84-03. The cost is $1.

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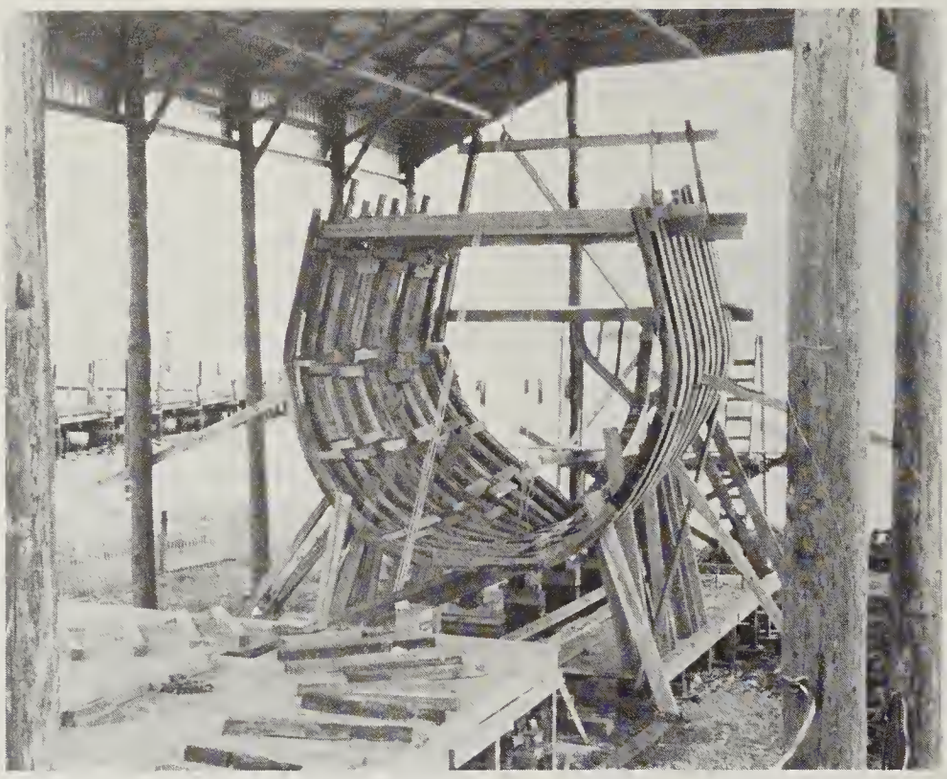

ABOVE - Several frames and ribs are in place in this early photo of construction on the Elizabeth II. RIGHT - The ship's three masts each measure nearly 70 feet. Here, they are being treated with fish oil before being put into place.

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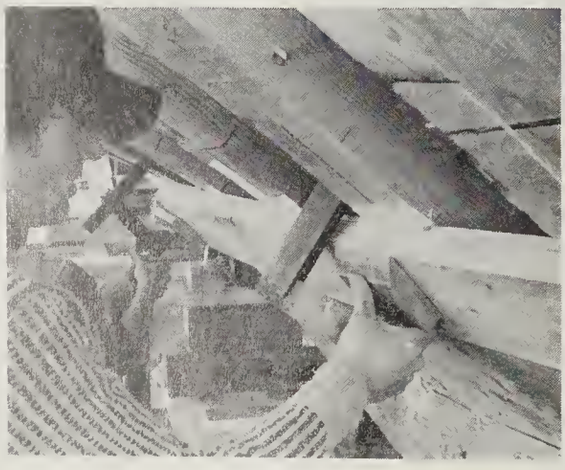
Two workmen cut on a frame with a 90-year-old ship saw, one of a number of old tools used to build the 16th-century style ship. The workmen are Fred Asplen of Cambridge, Md., left, and Sam Jones of South Bristol, Me.

Sam Jones of South Bristol, Me., a co-foreman for the ship-building crew, bends a plank into place.



Photos courtesy of the N.C. Department of Cultural Resources.

The 50-ton ship was launched during ceremonies last November.

Elizabeth II: A Mobile State Historic Site

The *Elizabeth II*, the 16th-century-style sailing ship that's to be formally opened July 13 as part of North Carolina's 400th Anniversary festivities, will become the state's only mobile historic site.

Once the ship is commissioned by Gov. James B. Hunt Jr. and Great Britain's Princess Anne, it'll be birthed at a permanent home in Manteo—near where the nation's first English settlers landed 400 years ago.

But on occasion, the 50-ton vessel will go "under sail" to visit other communities along the North Carolina coast, giving them more convenient access to this example of living history, according to Horace Whitfield, the ship's captain.

"We plan to take the ship wherever we're able to go," Whitfield said, as soon as dredging work is done at Shallow Bag Bay to give it an outlet to the ocean.

That operation could be completed next fall.

"It's our hope that we can get to every community that's accessable to us sometime between now and 1987," Whitfield said. "I think this will play a large part in the success of the ship."

The captain's timetable coincides with the 400th Anniversary celebration, a three-year observance to honor the Roanoke Voyages of 1584-1587 from England to the Outer Banks.

The ship was built to be a centerpiece of the celebration, designed as the most authentic 16th-century ship reproduction ever attempted.

The $750,000 project was financed through contributions by foundations, businesses and individuals.

Getting it built took a team of journeymen boatbuilders and other craftsmen about 15 months.

The construction work was directed by O. Lie-Nielsen of Rockland, Me., a veteran shipbuilder who came out of retirement to handle the job.

His crews—usually about 10—used a combination of modern power equipment and old style hand tools, said Whitfield, a former boatbuilder who helped with the construction of Elizabeth II.

"Everyone just used what he felt most comfortable with."

One of the most interesting pieces of old equipment used on the job was a 90-year old ship's saw.

"When that was first used, it was powered by a steam engine. That'll give you an idea of how far back it goes."

All the workmanship these craftsmen put into the ship will be on exhibit year-round, including those periods when the sails are removed for maintenance.

"Most people expect to see the ship with the sails, but we want people to be able to see various aspects of the life of a vessell," Whitfield pointed out.

Visitors will see "mariners" and "street vendors" in 16th century attire as they're guided through the ship by guides also wearing period costumes.

The ship and its Visitor's Center will be operated with a staff of 20 as one of the N.C. Department of Cultural Resources' historic sites.

Whitfield, who'll serve as site manager, will also coordinate arrangements for the ship's sailing crews for its trips along the coast.

"We'll be using volunteers for this and already have about 50 signed up. That number will be cut to 25 and we'll draw from that pool."

To serve on a sailing crew, volunteers must log 40 hours of special training, he said.

—Owen Bishop

Efforts For Safety Get Statewide Honors

The North Carolina Safety Council has presented 12 awards to individuals and groups who carried out or provided leadership for safety programs.

The awards are given annually through the Council's Home and Community Safety Awards Program.

Individual awards recipients were Ryan Megredy of Cary, youth under 13 years of age; Mary Louise Joyce of Advance, youth 13-19 years of age; and Rev. Pete Bonyai of Arden, adult volunteer.

Community group awards were presented to Dunn High School VICA Carpentry Club, youth group with less than 30 members; North East Guilford Senior High SADD, youth group with more than 30 members; Johnston County Farm Bureau Women's Committee, adult group with less than 30 members and Forsyth County 4-H Volunteer Leaders Association, adult group with more than 30 members.

Safety awards to professionals went to Mary Kay Cox and Phil Ricks, extension agents in Johnston County and the Forsyth County Volunteer Firemen's Association.

The news media award in safety went to WTOE radio, Spruce Pine.

The business and industry individual award went to Frank M. Adkins of Spruce Pine, who is associated with the Mine and Quarry Division of the North Carolina Department of Labor.

The Raleigh Board of Realtors received the company award in the business and industry category.

The safety council is an incorporated, non-profit organization, created in 1960 by a group of community leaders, physicians, and representatives of public agencies to promote safety programs and activities.

EMC ANNUAL MEETINGS CALENDAR...

Date	Electric Membership Corporation	Time	Location
June 9	Blue Ridge, Lenoir	Registration: 8:00 a.m. Displays and demonstrations on safety, load management, appliances and energy. Business Meeting: 10:00 a.m. Entertainment by Freddie Hart and The Heartbeats	Farthing Auditorium Appalachian State University, Boone
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Taxpayers Can "Amortize" Some Reforestation Expenses

Taxpayers other than trusts can elect to "amortize" some expenses of reforestation of timber property, says Stephen R. Sutter, extension economics specialist, North Carolina State University.

Qualified timber property is defined as a woodlot or other site in the United States which will produce trees in significant commercial quantities and which is held by the taxpayer for planting, cultivating, caring for and cutting trees for sale or use in commercial production of timber products.

Costs that may be amortized, Sutter said, include direct costs of planting or seeding, such as site preparation, seeds, seedlings, labor, small tools and depreciation of tractors, trucks, pickups and planters used in the reforestation.

The amount of amortizable costs, however, is limited annually to $10,000 ($5,000 on an individual return), termed the "amortizable basis."

"These costs may be written off, or amortized, over a fixed seven-year period using the 'half-year convention.' This means you may deduct one fourteenth of the amortizable basis in the first and eighth years," Sutter said.

Reforestation expenses (up to the $10,000 limitation) qualify for the 10 percent federal investment tax credit.

Sutter gave this example to illustrate the significance of tax savings that reforestation expenditures can yeild:

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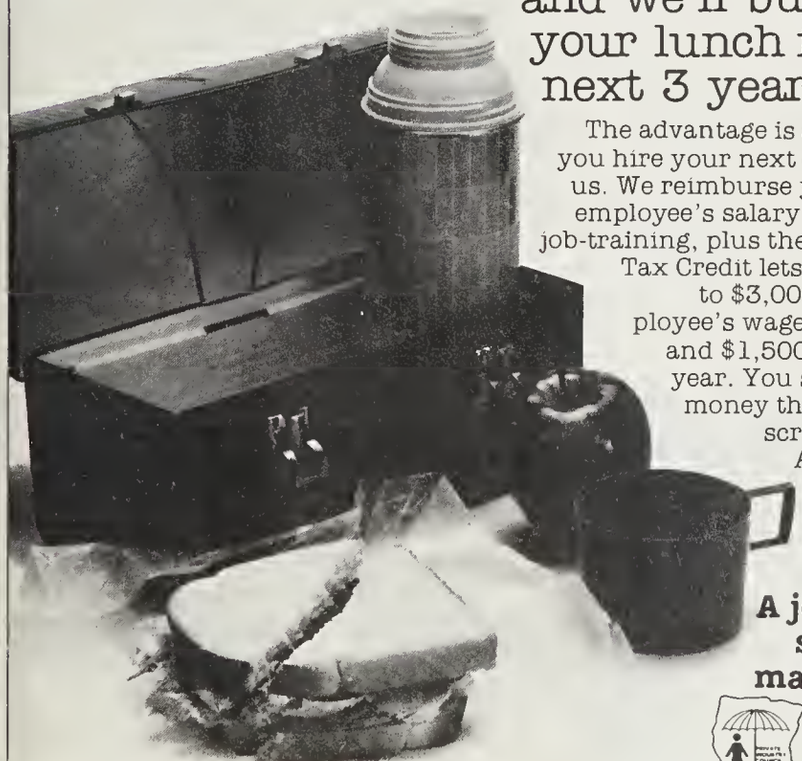

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Squash Casserole

Submitted by Gail B. Hawkins of Plymouth

- 1/4 cup melted butter or margarine
- 1 lb. yellow squash, thinly sliced
- 1/2 lb. zucchini squash, thinly sliced
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1/4 tsp. pepper
- 1 egg, beaten
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 1/4 cup chopped green pepper
- 1/3 cup chopped onion
- 1 T. chopped pimento
- 1 T. sugar
- 1/2 cup shredded cheese

Dissolve melted butter into a 1½ quart casserole dish. Add squash and sprinkle with salt and pepper. Combine egg, mayonnaise, green pepper, onion, pimento and sugar. Mix well and pour over squash. Sprinkle evenly with cheese or combine cheese with other ingredients. Bake at 350 degrees for 35-40 minutes.

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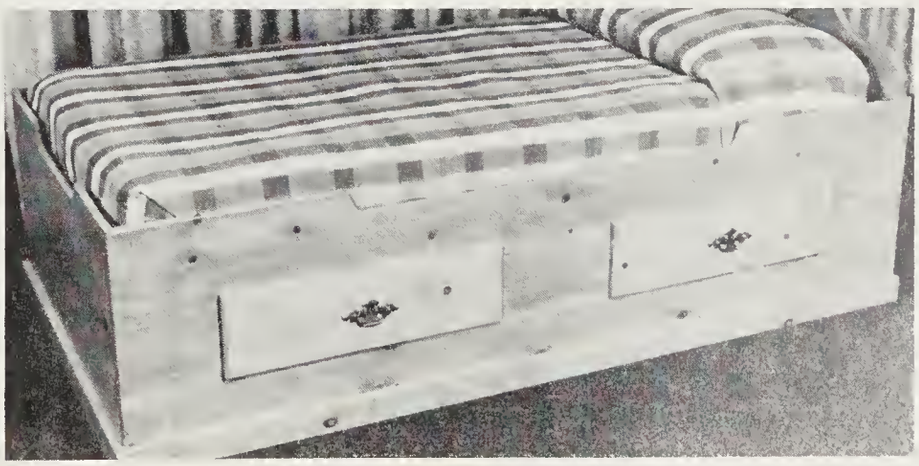

WASHINGTON SCENE

Administration Seeks Ways Of Dealing With Pesky "Porcupines"

There is an old story about what to do if you find a porcupine in your front yard.

First, you go find a wooden box and try to put it down so that the porcupine will be trapped under it. Then you sit down on the box to figure out what you should do next.

This seemed to be the system that the Reagan administration was following early this summer as it found several porcupines in its yard and a rebellious Congress snapping at its heels.

The biggest porcupine in the yard was the huge record federal deficit of almost $200 billion dollars, which was threatening to push interest rates up, slow the economic recovery and risk another recession.

It almost seemed that the White House had decided that it didn't have a box large enough to trap this one and was hoping that it wouldn't cause any problems until after the November election.

The President, speaking in jest to a dinner in Washington, said, "I'm not going to discuss the deficit tonight. It's big enough to take care of itself."

Meanwhile, both Houses of Congress were working on plans they hoped would take care of part of the problem, but since both plans called for some cuts in defense spending and a hike in some taxes—two steps the President resists—the fate of their proposals seemed

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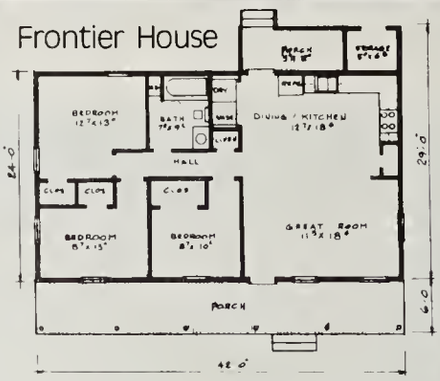

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There are other problems for the White House, as this election year calendar inexorably moves toward November, when the American people will choose what sort of government they want for the next four years.

The country's policy in Lebanon and in Central America has caused friction between Congress and the administration, and Republicans as well as Democrats have voiced concern about our future aims there.

After it had been disclosed that American agents had been active in mining Nicaraguan harbors, Sen. Barry Goldwater (R.-Ariz.), a conservative, wrote Reagan's director of the CIA, "How can we back his (Reagan's) foreign policy when we don't know what he is doing?"

Other porcupines on the White House lawn include the question of fairness to the poor and middle class, civil rights, support for education and equal status for women, to list a few. These are all matters that the White House must deal with politically.

There is another problem, however, that is constantly getting larger and one not subject to any easy political solution.

This is the ever growing deficit in our trade with other countries. This year, the United States is going to spend more than $100 billion dollars more with foreign nations than it sells overseas.

While a trade deficit may sound like something that affects only large corporations, it is far more than that. It affects everybody and does so directly.

One way it hurts is in employment. Experts say that for every billion dollars in the deficit, 25,000 jobs are lost. That means that this year's deficit will leave over two million people out of work.

Today, for the first time in the country's history, the U.S. is buying more tobacco from other countries than we are selling abroad. This hurts domestic tobacco prices and thus penalizes every North Carolina flue-cured and burley grower.

Textiles are also being affected by imports and this is causing headaches for one of North Carolina's biggest manufacturing products. How many times have you picked up a sweater or a shirt and seen the label "Made in Taiwan?"

North Carolina representatives in Congress are concerned about what the trade imbalance is doing to the state's economy.

Congressman Tim Valentine of the Second District voiced the sentiment of the delegation recently.

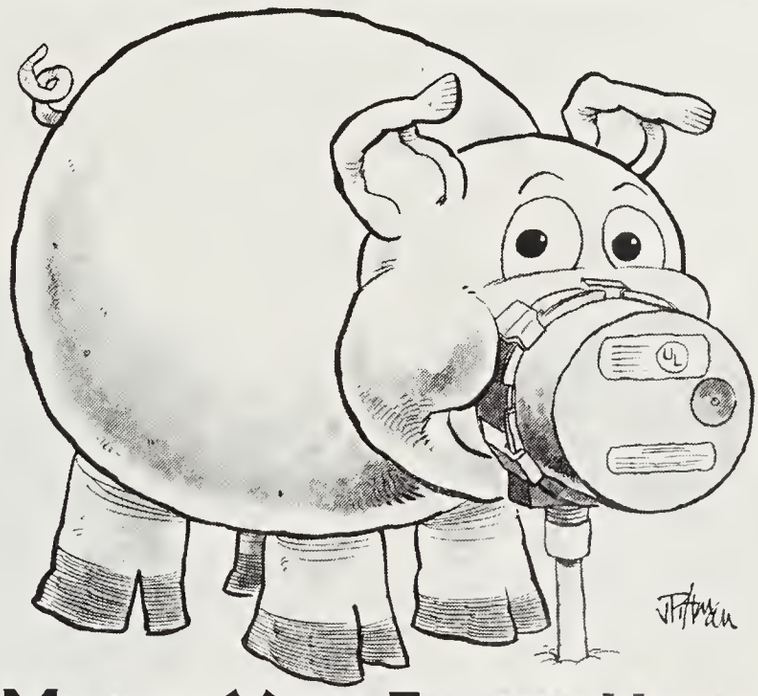
Noting that the trade deficit is hurting farm exports and costing jobs, Valentine says high interest rates have caused a demand for American dollars.

"We can only bring down interest rates by cutting federal borrowing to cover our government's budget deficits," he said.

So the trade deficit porcupine is the offspring of the biggest porcupine of them all—the budget deficit—and neither of them has been put under a box. That is the general view in Congress, as Valentine described it.

Economists agree that there is a direct relationship between the two, but they say that isn't the whole story. They say that in some cases, such as automobiles, countries like Japan and West Germany have offered American buyers quality products at competitive prices and have grabbed a large share of the U.S. market.

But the big problem is the budget deficit, and until that porcupine is put under a box, Americans are going to find it hard to sell products in other countries. And there will be two million people who won't find jobs.



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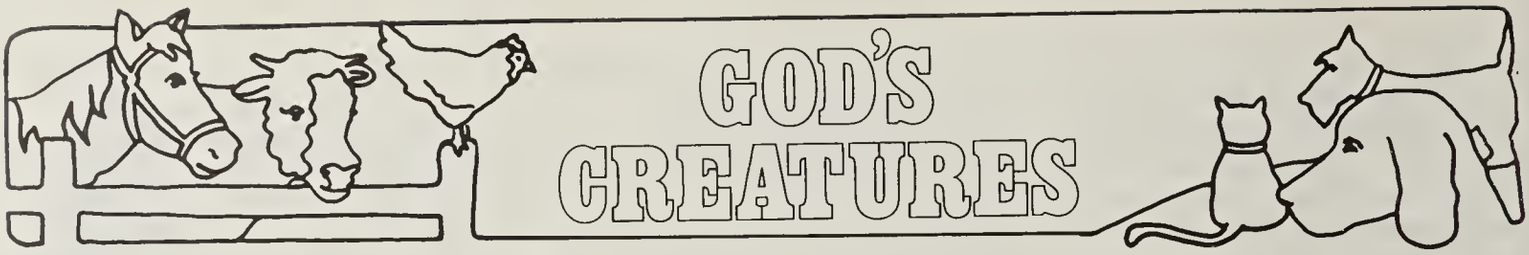


Protect Your Pets From Dangerous Plants

This is the third in a series of columns about animal health and care, featuring interviews with faculty of the North Carolina State University School of Veterinary Medicine

Even though plants can add to both the indoor and outdoor beauty of any home, pet owners should be aware that some plants can be harmful to their pets.

According to Dr. Cecil F-G. Brownie, toxicologist at North Carolina State University's School of Veterinary Medicine, even though cats and dogs are carnivores, when conditions are right, they can accidentally consume a dangerous plant.

Some of the common ornamental plants potentially dangerous to pets include: dumb cane and philodendron (both are common types of houseplants); English ivy; most spring flowering bulbs; Japanese yew; oleander, rhododendrons, azaleas and wild cherries.

"Under normal circumstances, a mature cat or dog is unlikely to eat a poisonous plant, but kittens and puppies, especially when they play, like to chew on nearby objects," Brownie said.

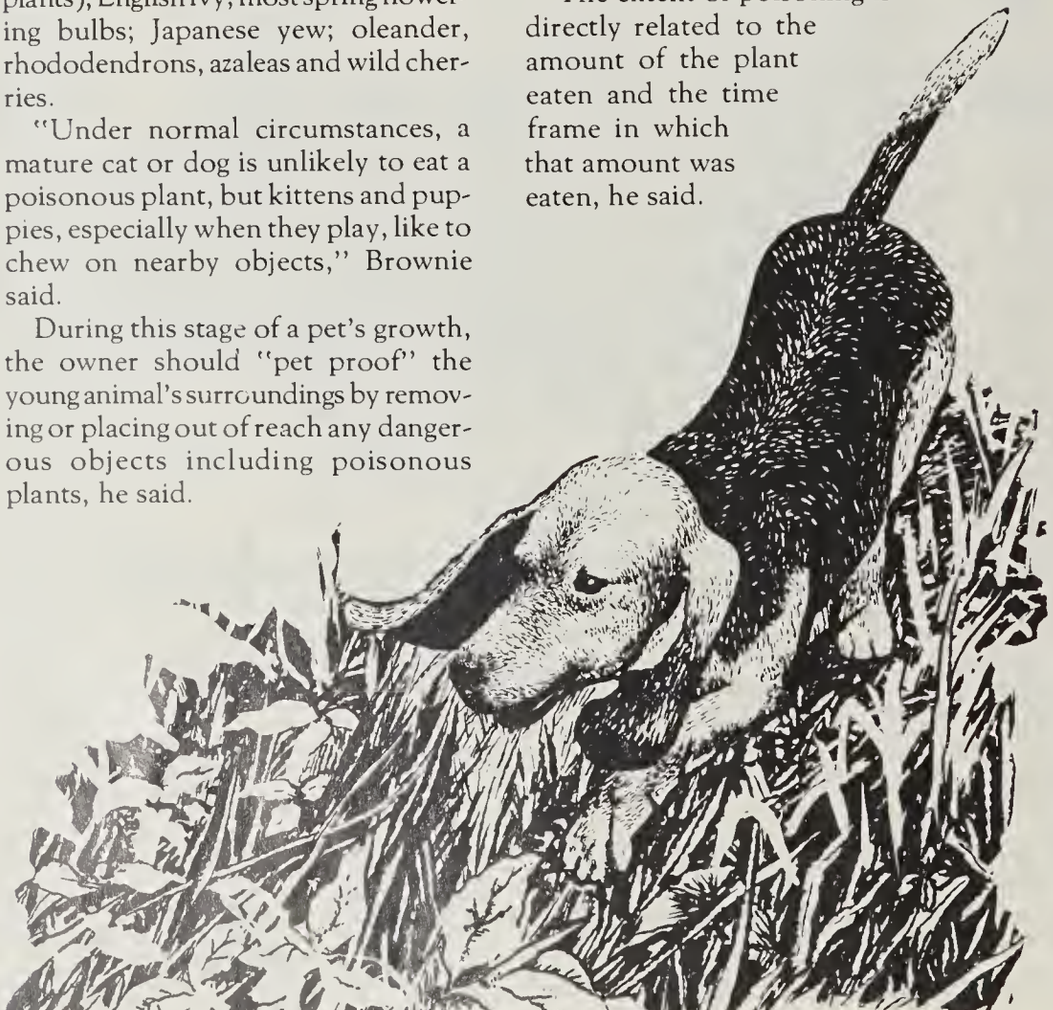
During this stage of a pet's growth, the owner should "pet proof" the young animal's surroundings by removing or placing out of reach any dangerous objects including poisonous plants, he said.

Older dogs and cats that are not used to confinement may become bored when they are indoors for long periods of time and chew on or eat a plant they normally wouldn't bother.

Brownie added that new objects brought into the pet's environment are thoroughly investigated by the animal.

"Around Christmas many homeowners bring poinsettias and mistletoe inside for holiday decorations. They should be aware that the berries of mistletoe and the milky sap from poinsettias can make their pets sick," Brownie said.

The extent of poisoning is directly related to the amount of the plant eaten and the time frame in which that amount was eaten, he said.



"Too much of anything, especially over a short period of time, can be detrimental. A pet that has eaten a small amount of a poisonous plant probably will not become very sick," he said.

Brownie added that since most poisonous plants have such an unpleasant taste, rarely does a pet consume a fatal amount.

If a pet owner suspects the pet has become poisoned from eating a plant, the owner should take the pet to a veterinarian and provide positive identification of the suspicious plant, he said.

Brownie added that people with foraging pets, such as horses, should make sure they have enough food to eat during the early spring and late fall, when pasture vegetation is scarce.

"For lack of anything else a hungry horse may be forced to eat a poisonous plant, such as water hemlock in the early spring, or the evergreen Japanese yew in the late fall," he said.

In the past few years, many horses have died from eating the wilted leaves of a red maple tree (*Acer rubrum*).

"This incident can occur if broken limbs land in the pasture after a storm or if cuttings are thrown into the pasture after pruning a red maple tree," he said. Brownie added that the toxic principle(s) in the leaves of the red maple have not been identified and there is no antidote.

"Awareness is the key to preventing a pet from becoming poisoned by a plant," he said.

Brownie is now helping to design a poisonous plant garden at the School of Veterinary Medicine. The garden will feature poisonous plants from North Carolina and will be used for teaching and research.

EMC Officials Honored For Service

The manager of Rutherford Electric Membership Corporation, Forest City and a director of Davidson EMC, Lexington, have been singled out for their 45 years of service to the North Carolina rural electric program.

L. T. Gibbs, manager of Rutherford EMC and Doak Skeen of Rt. 2, Denton, treasurer of Davidson EMC, each received 45-year "meritorious service" plaques during special awards ceremonies at the 1984 Annual Meeting of the statewide EMC organization.

In addition, a special certificate was presented to B. F. Morton Jr., retired manager of Carteret-Craven EMC, Morehead City, citing him for his career in Tar Heel rural electrification.

A total of 23 other EMC directors from across the state were honored for their years of service to the program. Listed by EMCs, they were:

Albemarle EMC, Hertford—Joseph A. Byrum of Tyner, for 15 years of service.

Cape Hatteras EMC—William Z. Burrus of Hatteras, 15 years.

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Pitt and Greene EMC, Farmville—Horace Moore of Snow Hill, 15 years; Lloyd Gay of Rt. 1, Fountain, 20 years.

Rutherford EMC, Forest City—Paul Robinson of Rt. 1, Bessemer City, 15 years; Fred T. Boyd of Marion, Robert B. Sisk of Rt. 5, Morganton and Frank Queen of Rt. 1, Morganton, all 20 years.

South River EMC, Dunn—Harvey Flowers of Rt. 2, Four Oaks, 25 years; Bynum Jackson of Rt. 1, Godwin, 30 years.

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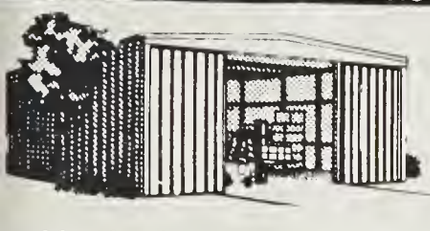

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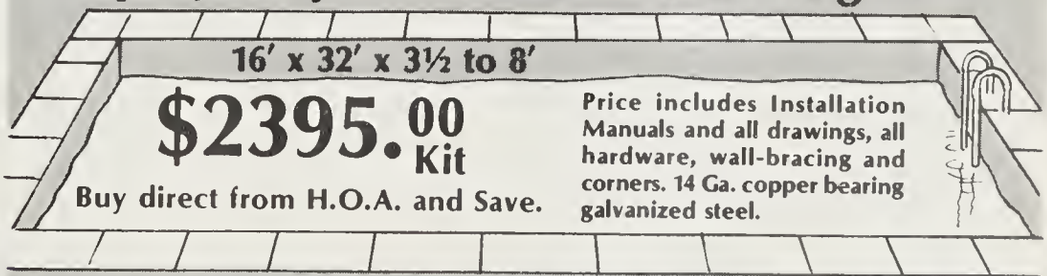

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On a morn in June
When the dew glistens on the
pearled ears,
A shiver runs through the deep corn
for joy.
—*Matthew Arnond, 1853*

With the approaching heat of summer, many of our gardening activities will be confined to early morning hours or the cool of the evening. With long hours of daylight, there should be plenty of time to complete gardening chores.

While enjoying the fruits of your gardening labors, take a critical look at your garden maintenance. Are there too many chores for the time you have set aside to devote to yard and garden? Since maintenance of the lawn is the most time-consuming job, you may want to plant trees, shrubbery borders, beds of perennials and areas of groundcovers.

Summer Shrub Pruning

Training by pruning is the only way to have bushy, well-shaped plants that produce an abundance of blooms. During the period of summer growth, shrubs are trained by cutting or pinching-out growing tips of branches. This forces them to form vigorous new shoots.

During June, prune althea, abelia, bush honeysuckle, deutzia, euonymus, forsythia, mock orange, weigelia, the privets and other similar shrubs.

Needle-leafed evergreens such as the various junipers, will become ungainly and unsightly if not pruned yearly. Cut out about one-third of the new growth at the tips of branches. Let the topmost tip grow until the plant reaches the desired height.

Re-work Strawberry Bed

If attention hasn't been given your strawberries since crop harvest, renovate the bed as soon as possible.

Thin plants so they are spaced six to twelve inches apart in all directions. Then apply a complete fertilizer such as 8-8-8, using two pounds per 50 square feet of row. Water fertilizer into soil, and apply a mulch to conserve moisture and help to control weed growth.

Check Azaleas and Camellias

If you find dying branches among your azaleas, check for split bark. Mild periods of last winter, interrupted by sudden hard freezes, caused extensive damage to many azaleas. Cut dying branches back to sound wood.

Continue to water azaleas and camellias during the summer months, especially during periods of scant rainfall. Apply water slowly with a soaker hose. Both plants suffer during the winter if they wanted for water the previous summer.

Whenever camellia flower buds drop during winter, the cause often is lack of water the previous summer.

Care of New Trees and Shrubs

The first summer is a critical period for trees and shrubs that were set out last fall, winter or spring.

Water thoroughly each week rather than giving plants frequent sprinklings. This is especially important if there is no rainfall. Build a slight mound of soil shaped like a saucer around the plant to prevent excessive runoff and to form a reservoir for water.

A four inch mulch of organic matter such as compost or pine needles will help to conserve moisture, control weed growth, and reduce the temperature of the soil.

Newly set plants are often weaker than those that are established and therefore are more susceptible to predators. Carefully inspect them periodically to be sure you keep invading insects and diseases under control.

Weed in the Cool-Cool Of the Evenin'

If weeds have grown so large that pulling them will disturb roots of nearby garden plants, do the job in the late afternoon or in cloudy weather. By so doing, you give nearby injured or "disturbed" plants time to repair damage before they face the hot summer sun.

Even a few hours will do wonders in aiding recovery. If soil is dry, water garden plants well after weeding.

Whiteflies Are Active

Whiteflies, living on the underside of leaves of many ornamental shrubs, are active this month. They often occur in tremendous numbers. When disturbed, the adults flutter through the air like bits of ashes.

Immature whiteflies are oval, flattened and completely covered with a waxy secretion that gives the appearance of tiny scales.

Both mature and immature whiteflies damage plants by sucking out plant juices. This causes leaves to have poor color and to drop prematurely. The insects remove more juice

than they can digest, creating the excess as honeydew.

This sticky substance serves as a place for the growth of a black, sooty mold fungus that shades leaves and interferes with photosynthesis. The sooty mold is so thick that it can be scraped from a leaf with the thumbnail. Sooty mold is found on several shrubs and is very common to crepe myrtle.

A pesticide will reduce the whitefly number considerably. It may take four or five careful applications at five-day intervals. Follow directions on the container for amount to use.

Vegetables

There's still time to plant seeds of beans, field peas, pumpkins, squash, corn, cantaloupe and watermelon. Continue to set out started plants of tomatoes, peppers, eggplants and sweet potatoes.

Outdoors With Indoor Plants

Many houseplants in containers, such as geraniums and begonias, will benefit from being outdoors in the summer. If used on the patio or deck as pot plants or hanging specimens, remember to water them frequently. You may also bury pots in a cool spot in the garden to prevent them from drying out so rapidly.

Foliage plants also may be brought outdoors for a few weeks or all summer. Remember to place them in a shady spot for they are shade-loving houseplants.

Any pot plant that has become rootbound should be repotted to a larger pot. To do this, turn the pot upside down and support the soil and pot with your hand. Tap the rim of the pot on a table edge. This will cause the plant to slip out easily without damage to the roots.

Place a few pieces of gravel and crushed charcoal in a larger pot. Use rich garden loam or specially-prepared potting soil to cover the gravel and to support the plant at its proper growing level. Place the rootbound plant in the larger pot and fill around it with soil. Press soil in place to eliminate air pockets and water to settle soil.

—Hank Smith

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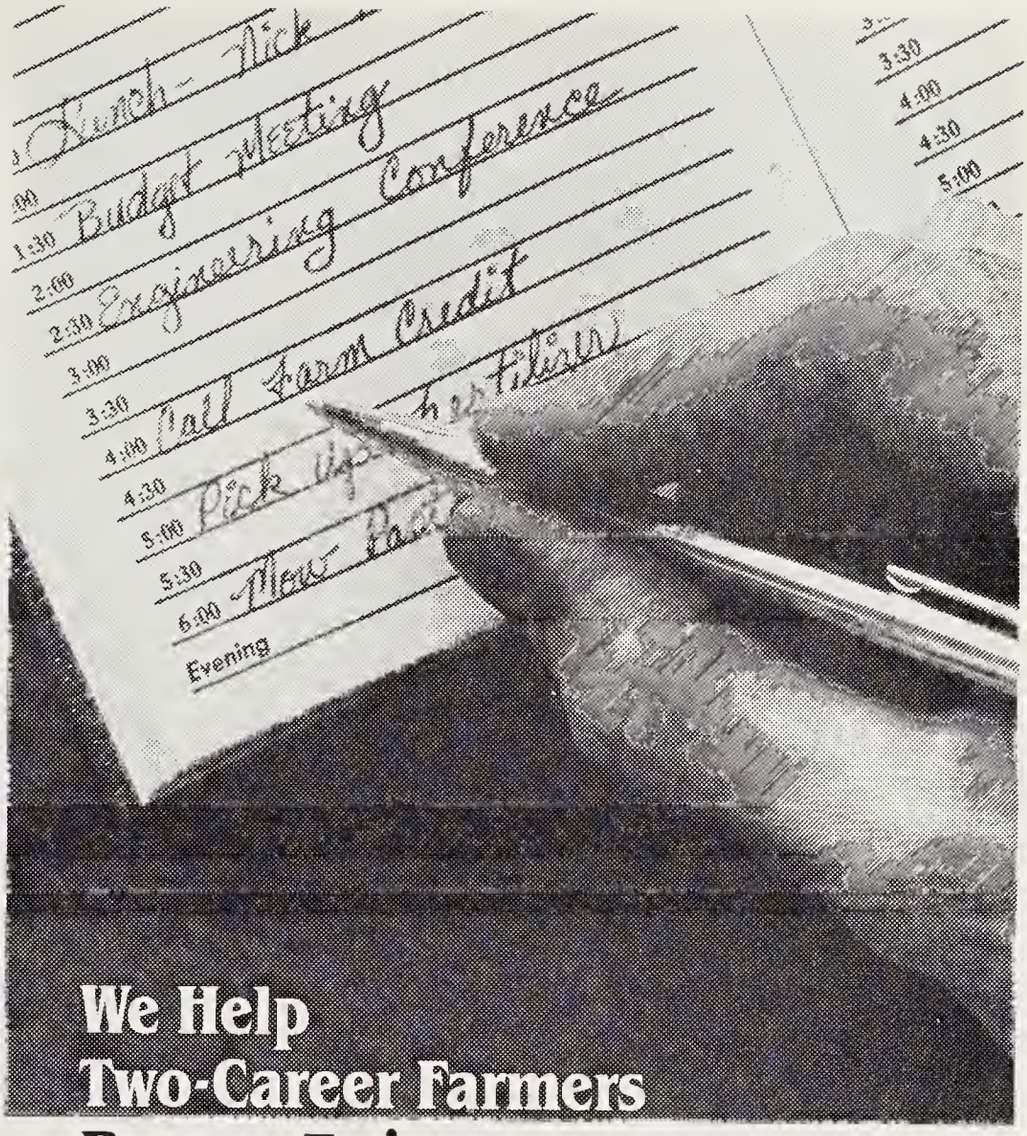

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Azalea Anecdotes From A Lively New Magazine

Marge Howell, a former *Carolina Country* staffer who now makes her home in Wilmington, has made a splashy return to publications work as editor of a free-distribution magazine covering the Cape Fear region.

Since she left our fold about six years ago, she's juggled various communications and public relations jobs while taking care of her husband, Andy, and their two children.

Now she's joined forces with a friend to put together the new magazine, *Cape Fear Tidewater*, which published its first issue in February.

From the two issues I've seen it's a lively little book, with lots of interesting features and entertainment listings. The April issue included extensive coverage of plans for this year's Azalea Festival—and a fascinating collection of anecdotes about past festivals.

They're all so colorful I can't resist passing along a couple that were recalled by Hugh Morton, who served as president of the first festival in 1947.

One involved Wilmington's Mayor E. L. White, who had a tendency to get tongue-tied when he stood up in front of an audience. At the festival events, he's routinely referred to as the "Zestival Falea."

Another is a tale of Governor R. Greg Cherry, who was asked to crown Jacqueline White Queen Azalea I.

Here's the way Morton recalled what happened:

Well, Governor Cherry had many friends in the Wilmington Light Infantry, which was started as a national guard-type company during World War I. So, whenever he came to town he had to have a toast with his old Light Infantry buddies. When I say a toast, I mean he did not have a toast with them all at once, but he toasted each one of them.

This is what he had been doing the afternoon before the coronation pageant at the Lumina Ballroom.

Carl Goerch, then the editor of *The State* magazine, was our emcee. He handed the crown to Governor Cherry. The Governor dropped the crown and, when he picked it up, it was upside down. So he just kind of swerved over and plopped it on the new queen's head—still upside down.

There was a group of Marines standing just behind him and they booed when they saw what happened. Needless to say, they got him out of there and back to Raleigh as quickly as they could.

The Monday after the Festival, I called the governor's office and got John Harden, the governor's aide, on the phone. I started apologizing to him, and he asked if I didn't want to talk to the Governor myself. So I did.

I told him that the Marines were not local people and did not have the same respect for the Governor of North Carolina that those of us in Wilmington did. I apologized to him on the telephone.

Governor Cherry said, "That's all right, son. My hide is getting thicker each year. Don't you worry about it."

R. Greg Cherry had the common touch. People loved him.

Words At Work And Play

Have you seen the magazine for the owners of Apple computers? It's called *InCider*. Subtitled: "Green's Apple Magazine," a playful reference to publisher Wayne Greene . . . . . Did you know that a funambulist is a tightrope walker—as opposed to a tight rope-walker . . . . . Headline on a magazine piece about stained glass: Staining Panes Is A Painstaking Strain .

What's A "GI" Anyway?

Since we're having a bit of fun with words, try this little word quiz:

What does the term "GI" mean? An American soldier, right? That's been true since World War II, when U.S. soldiers apparently picked up the label in England.

Originally, "GI" meant "government issue."

If you know the term, is it because you remember when it came into vogue?

I was set to thinking about all this by an item I saw cautioning writers to be careful about using terms that might be unfamiliar to their readers. The piece, by a William K. Patterson, notes that if you assume that 10 is the age at which an event creates a lasting impression on a person's memory, then of today's 220 million Americans:

94 percent have no recollection of World War I; 92 percent are too young to remember when women couldn't vote; 86 percent cannot recall Charles Lindburg's solo to Paris; 85 percent do not remember the stock market crash of 1929; 68 percent cannot recollect World War II; 53 percent are not old enough to remember Russia's launching of the first Sputnik; 44 percent do not remember the assassination of President Kennedy and 32 percent are too young to remember when man first landed on the moon.

Patterson added that in light of these statistics, writers should keep in mind that if they refer to someone as a GI, "149,600,000 people won't know what you are talking about."

—*Owen Bishop*

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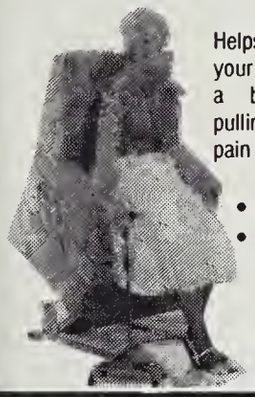

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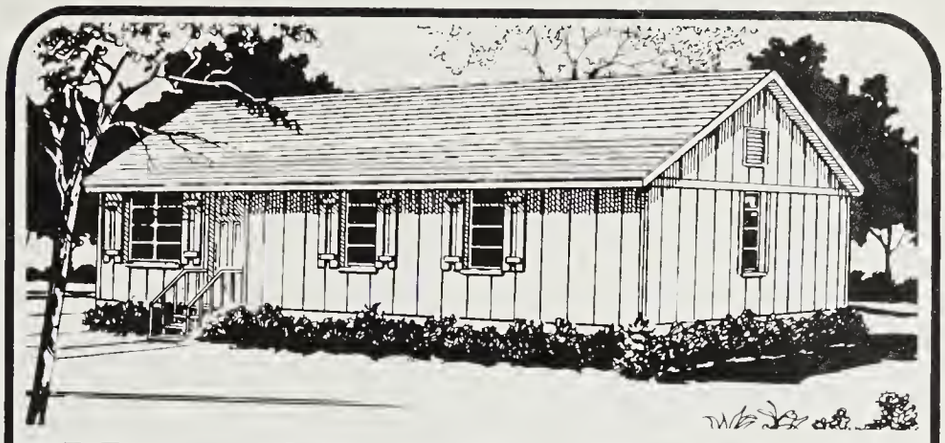

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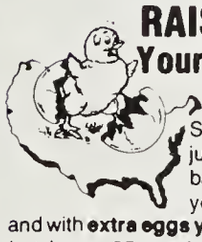

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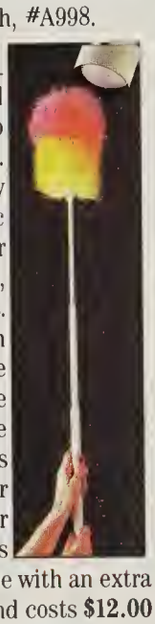

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